

Coulee Montessori SET MINUTES

March 15, 2022 5:30pm

Roster

Kim Shively	Nell Saunders-Scott	Melissa Leske	Deanna Maynard
Willie Bittner	Amy Merkey	Alex Hiller	Barb Silbaugh
Anders Olson	Mariah Bigelow	Nicki Pope	Alex Hubing
Trina Truesdell	Nicole Rislow	Josh Shively	

Land Recognition Statement read

Call To Order/Expectations/Guests

Item	Presenter	Notes
Introductions of Guests	Kim	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No additional guests today
Share Student Work	Teachers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children's House currently learning about weather, tracking what they see outside E2 going to Children's House for a writing activity Additional seeds planted today for sale (536 plants) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> While they want the sale to be student run, may ask for some parent volunteers as well May 13 after school, May 14 9-1 Deanna commented that she is seeing many students showing an interest in Montessori education Funeral held for Cornelia the Snake yesterday

Governance Board Topics

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Elementary Principal Report	Nicki Pope	<p>Upcoming testing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Going to be sending information to parents about testing and healthy tips to help students with attendance Purchase gum, mints, kick off for testing Celebration in assembly to get students excited Will go into some classrooms to read to students <p>Enrollment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final numbers will not be known until after 4/30 deadline, but looking solid at this time Montessori has experienced a shift in families as they are now reflecting an increase in lower poverty level 1) Northside 2) Hamilton 3) CM Free and reduced around 66%

Adolescent Principal Report	Alex Hubing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared attendance rate by month, lowest attendance in January 2022, but trending up since then closer to 90% this month • Spring testing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Forward testing starting end of March going into April – results avail in a few months ○ iReady testing also starting – results accessible much sooner, provides opportunity to identify where students might be struggling <p>Enrollment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17 current 7-8th graders • 5th graders encouraged to shadow CMAP • Putting together a district charter video, planning a virtual open house about charter programs
Districtwide Parents Update	Nell, Amy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remaining school board candidates presented <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dr. Engel voiced importance of voting in the election ○ All candidates said they are open to emails from parents to ask questions • Southern Bluffs principal is retiring • 4K enrollment is down across the district <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Children’s House open enrollment currently at 12, which is cap, with one on the waiting list
Facility Planning	Kim	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document submitted to Hogan - Troy Harcey and Aaron Engel responded confirming it was received
Spring board elections	Kim	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need Treasurer as Nell will be stepping down from role • Looking to also add VP and 3-5 new board members • Will look to create a tracking document of candidates • We will vote on new board members in May
Communication s: - Website owner - Google Drive and SET email access	Kim, Melissa Nell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nell reviewed the document access in Google drive to ensure all SET members have access • Alex Hubing and Mariah indicated they need access, Nell to provide • Future idea might be to have our own website (Polytech does this)
Board Ed	Kim	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommend reviewing charter school governance site Wisconsin Resource Center for Charter Schools

PTO Topics

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Secretary's Report	Melissa L.	February Minutes Approved
Treasurer's Report	Nell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1400 raised from general fundraising letter sent out last month • All CM annual Myrick Park field trip <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Requesting bus funding of approx. \$300 for two buses ○ Also requesting \$50 for snacks (no SET board approval needed for this amount) • E2 class trip April 27 to the Driftless Museum and Fish Hatchery <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Requesting bus funding of approx. \$300 for one bus • SET budget has \$900 remaining for school year that could potentially be used • School may be able to pay for one of the field trips and SET may pick up the other <p>Treasurer's report approved</p>
All-School Fund-raiser	Kim	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When do we want to have an all-school fundraiser? • Steps needed to go forward? • What should be put in place? • Until we have a fundraising person in place, SET will need to share in responsibilities and work on recruiting parents <p>Fundraising idea:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nicki Pope mentioned a past fundraising option of garbage bags, easy and well received • She will research and provide more details • Trina mentioned that we could add a note to a field trip permission slip to help pay for another student go on the trip • Willie recommended we set up an Amazon Smile account that would provide a small donation back to SET

Meeting adjourned at 7:02PM